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# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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Attorney Docket No.	501250-2007
First Inventor	Lowery et al.
Title	Apparatus and Method for Melting of Materials to be Treated
Express Mail Label No.	EV309801302US

## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1.  Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2.  Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3.  Specification [Total Pages 18]  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
  - Descriptive title of the invention
  - Cross Reference to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
  - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
  - Abstract of the Disclosure
4.  Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 4]
5. Oath or Declaration [Total Sheets ]  
 a.  Newly executed (original or copy)  
 b.  Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))  
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
  - i.  **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) name in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6.  Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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  - b.  Specification Sequence Listing on:
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    - ii.  Paper
  - c.  Statements verifying identity of above copies

## ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9.  Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10.  37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement  Power of Attorney  
(when there is an assignee)
11.  English Translation Document (if applicable)
12.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449  Copies of IDS Citations
13.  Preliminary Amendment
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15.  Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)  
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16.  Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122  
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 Continuation       Divisional       Continuation-in-part (CIP)      of prior application No.: PCT/US01/42321.....

Prior application information:

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1051	130	2051 65 Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052	50	2052 25 Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053	130	1053 130 Non-English specification	
1812	2,520	1812 2,520 For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804	920*	1804 920* Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1,840*	1805 1,840* Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	110	2251 55 Extension for reply within first month	
1252	420	2252 210 Extension for reply within second month	
1253	950	2253 475 Extension for reply within third month	
1254	1,480	2254 740 Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	2,010	2255 1,005 Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401	330	2401 165 Notice of Appeal	
1402	330	2402 165 Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	290	2403 145 Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451 1,510 Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	110	2452 55 Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	1,330	2453 665 Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501	1,330	2501 665 Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502	480	2502 240 Design issue fee	
1503	640	2503 320 Plant issue fee	
1460	130	1460 130 Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807	50	1807 50 Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
1806	180	1806 180 Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
8021	40	8021 40 Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
1809	770	2809 385 Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
1810	770	2810 385 For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
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- (3) Continuation-in-Part Application Entitled Apparatus and Method for Melting of Materials to be Treated;
- (4) 4 pages of drawings;
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